Amendment No. 1 to SB2205

McNally Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2205

House Bill No. 2349*

by deleting SECTION 1 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-203, is amended by designating the current language as subsection (a) and by inserting the following as a new subsection (b) thereto:

(b) No member or former member of the general assembly may elect to retain state employees' health group insurance pursuant to this section if that person is convicted in any court of this state, or in any federal court, after the effective date of this act, of a felony arising out of that person's official capacity as a member of the general assembly. If the spouse or dependent children of the member or former member are otherwise eligible to participate in the state employee's health group insurance plan but for the conviction, then such coverage shall continue to be available provided the monthly contributions are made pursuant to subsection (a). Upon initial conviction, or upon a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, any person subject to this section who is already participates in the state employees' health group insurance shall have that benefit for such person stopped immediately without being entitled to any refund of premiums, copayments or other costs previously paid to retain the insurance. In the event the conviction of such person is later overturned in any court and such person is acquitted, or is granted a full pardon, the former member may elect to participate in the health insurance coverage on the first day of the following month.